

Open-Charm results on gluon polarization from COMPASS

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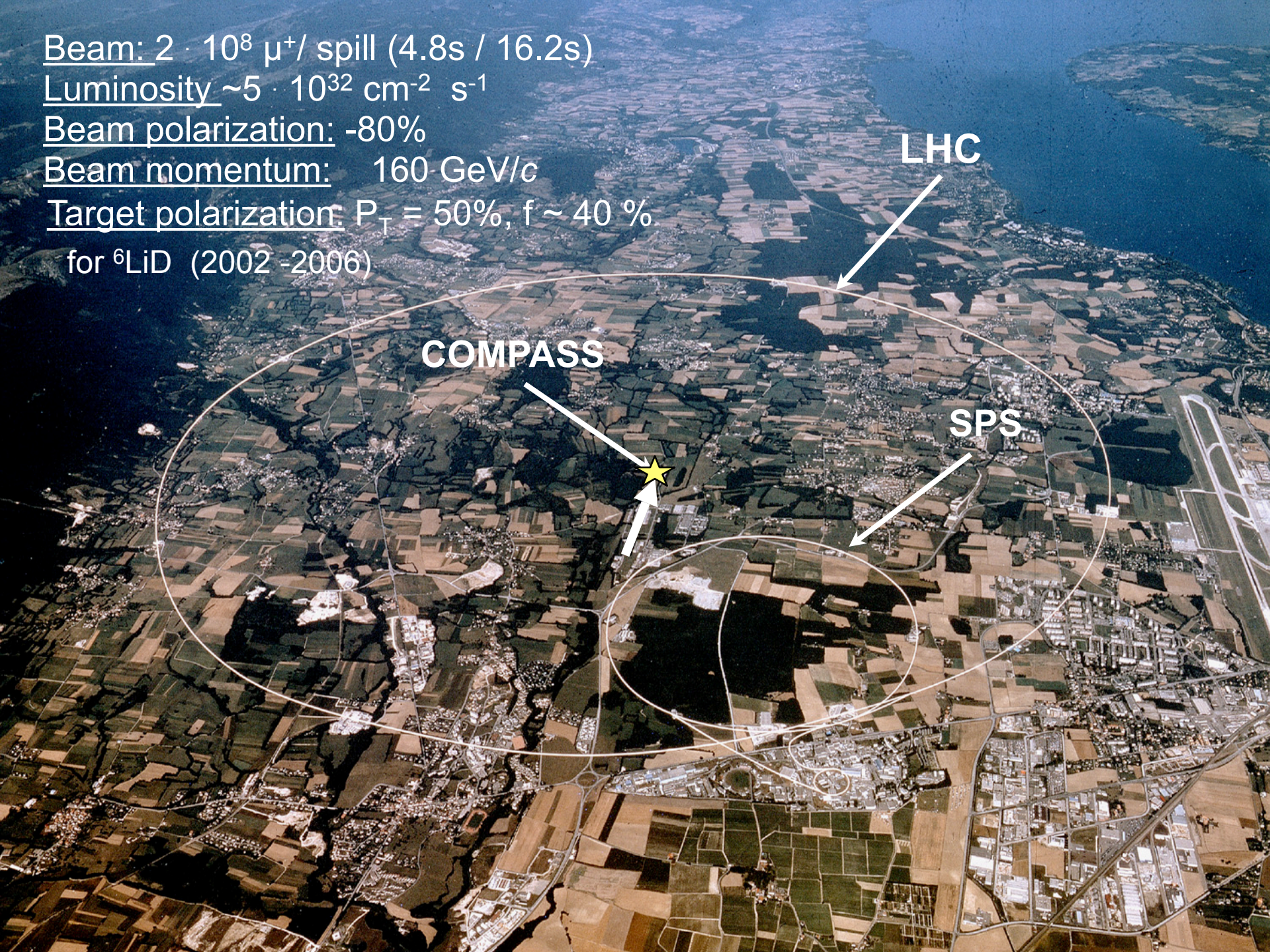
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Luminosity $\sim 5 \cdot 10^{32} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$

Beam polarization: -80%

Beam momentum: 160 GeV/c

Target polarization: $P_T = 50\%$, $f \sim 40\%$
for ${}^6\text{LiD}$ (2002 - 2006)



COMPASS Collaboration at CERN

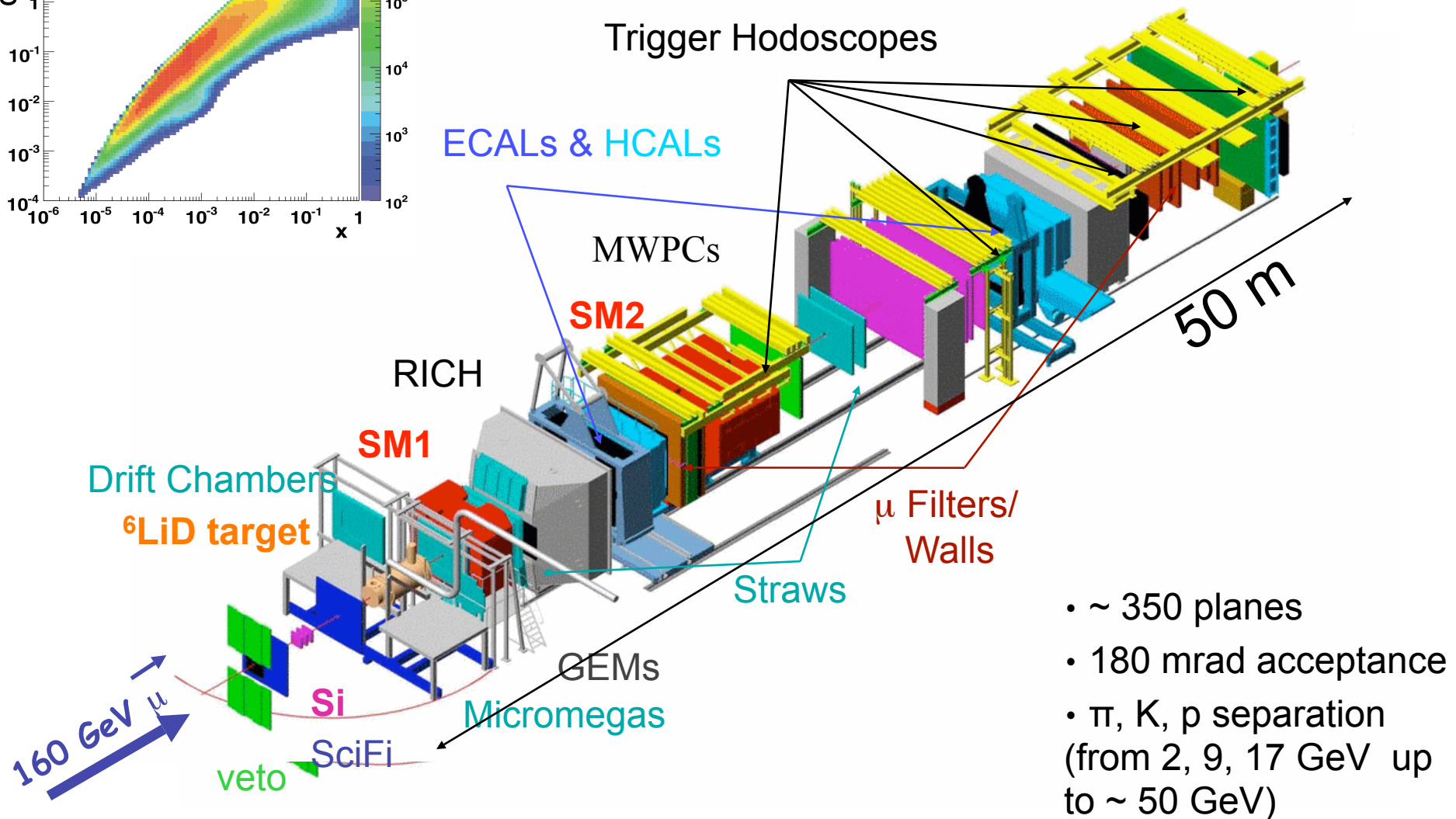
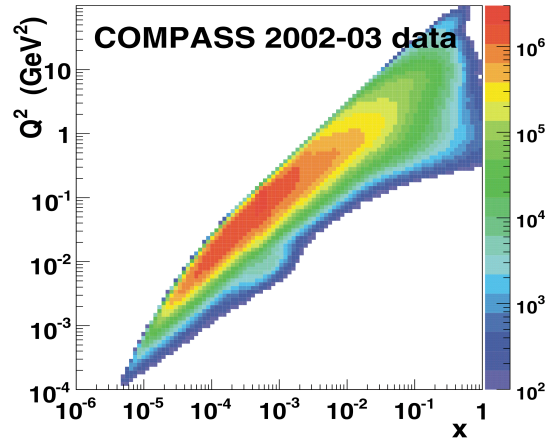
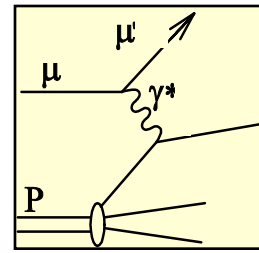
Common Muon and Proton Apparatus

for Structure and Spectroscopy

**Czech Rep., France, Germany, India, Israel, Italy,
Japan, Poland, Portugal, Russia and CERN**

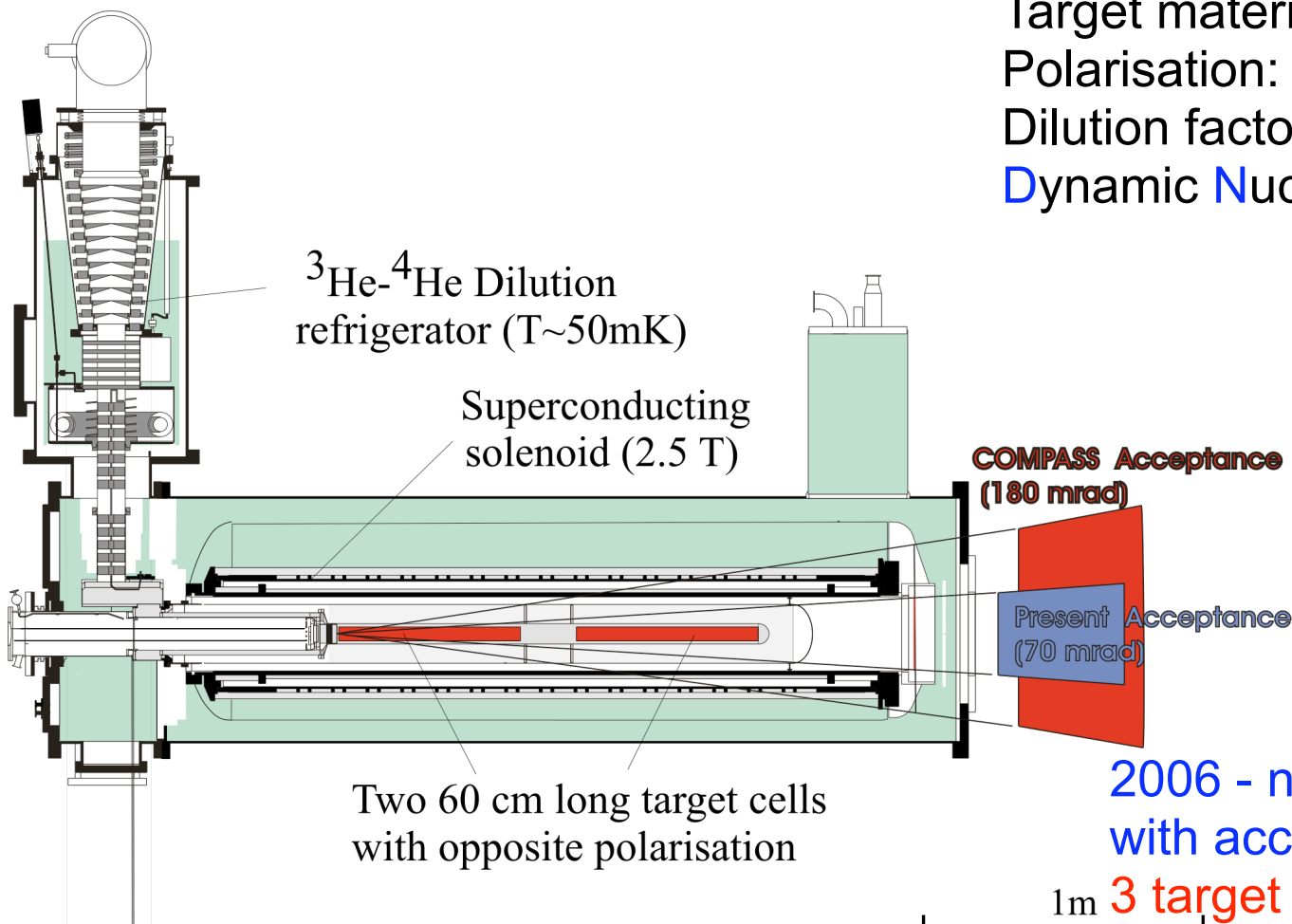
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Freiburg, Lisbon, Mainz, Moscow, Munich, Prague, Protvino, Saclay,
Tel Aviv, Torino, Trieste, Warsaw, Yamagata

220 physicists, 26 institutes



- ~ 350 planes
- 180 mrad acceptance
- π , K, p separation
(from 2, 9, 17 GeV up to ~ 50 GeV)

The COMPASS polarised target



2006 - new solenoid
with acceptance 180 mrad
3 target cells!

2006 Spectrometer upgrades

- Large acceptance target magnet: $70 \rightarrow 180$ mrad
- 3 cell target : reduce false asymmetries
- RICH upgrade : better PID

MAPMTs in central region

APV electronics in periphery

Ring Imaging Cherenkov Detector

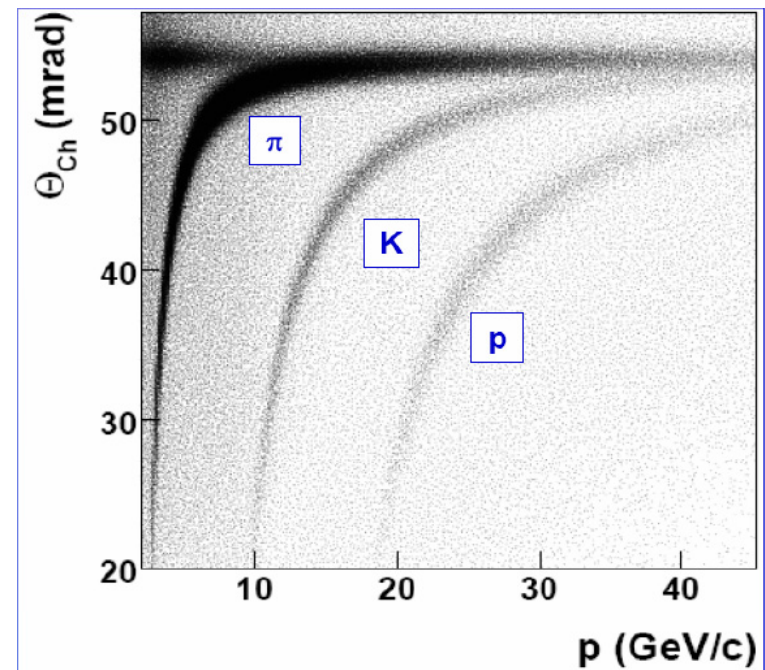
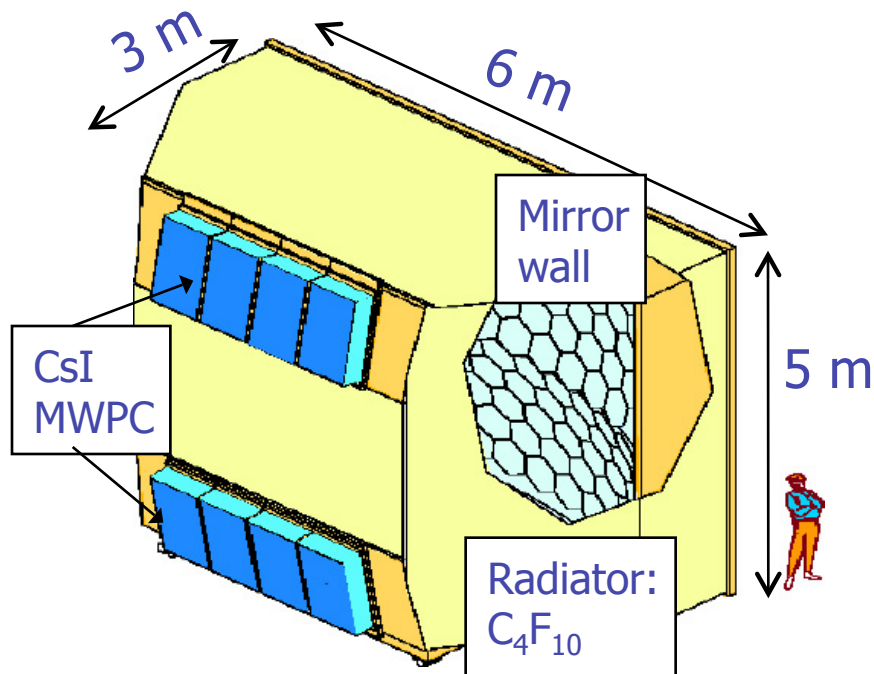
Identification of π , K and protons

Cherenkov thresholds: $\pi \approx 3 \text{ GeV/c}$

$K \approx 9 \text{ GeV/c}$

$p \approx 17 \text{ GeV/c}$

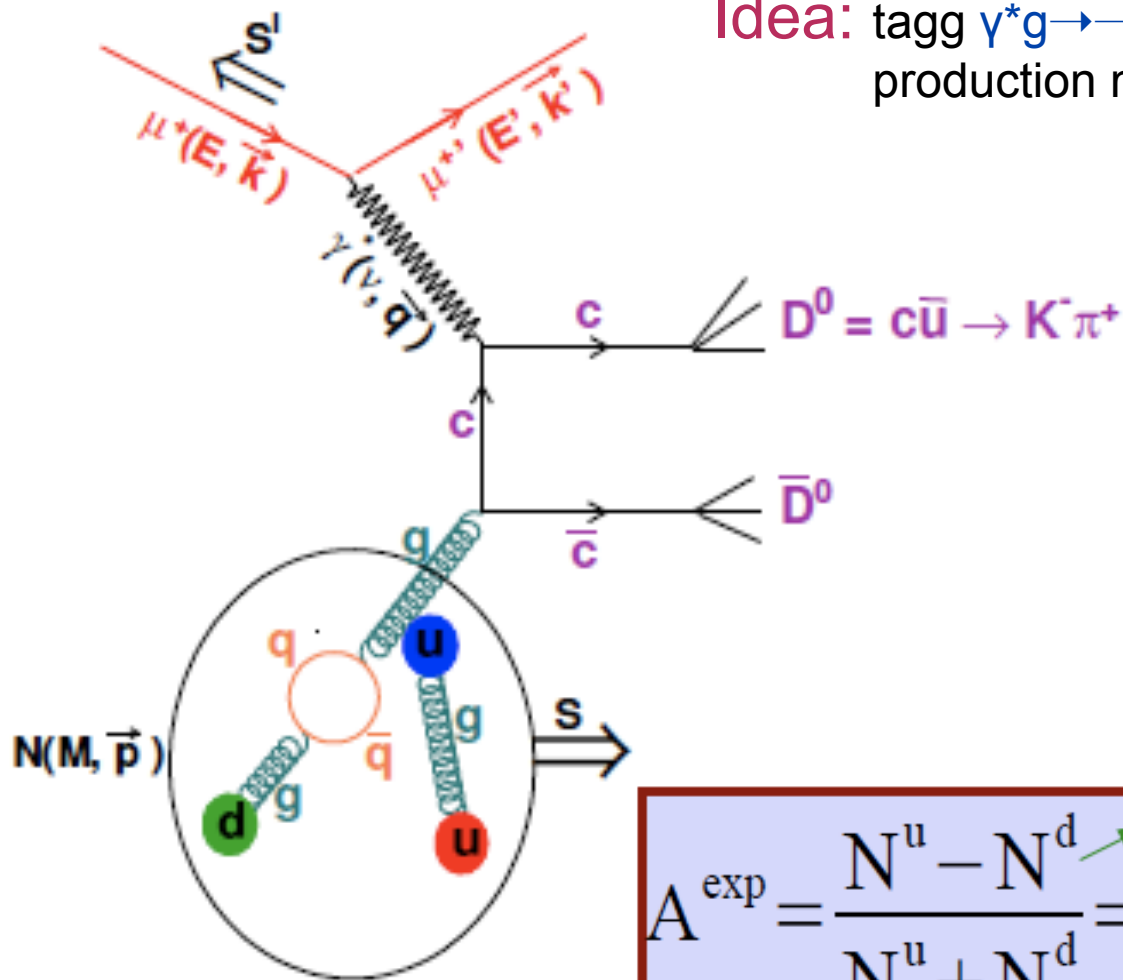
2σ π/K separation at 43 GeV/c



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Idea: tagg $\gamma^* g \rightarrow c\bar{c}$ via open-charm production mechanism



$$A^{\text{exp}} = \frac{N^u - N^d}{N^u + N^d} = f \cdot P_\mu \cdot P_T \cdot A^{\mu, T} + A^{\text{bg}}$$

Number of events

Depolarization from lepton to virtual photon

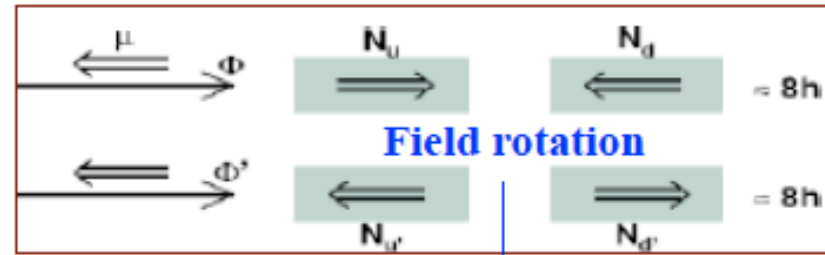
$$A^{\mu, T} = D \cdot A_1 = D \cdot \frac{\sigma_{\gamma, T}^{\rightarrow \leftarrow} - \sigma_{\gamma, T}^{\rightarrow \rightarrow}}{\sigma_{\gamma, T}^{\rightarrow \leftarrow} + \sigma_{\gamma, T}^{\rightarrow \rightarrow}}$$

Photon-target asymmetry

Considering $A_B = 0$

$$\frac{\Delta G}{G} = \frac{1}{2P_T P_\mu f \frac{S}{S+B} a_{LL}} \times \left(\frac{N^u - N^d}{N^u + N^d} + \frac{N^{d'} - N^{u'}}{N^{u'} + N^{d'}} \right)$$

partonic asymmetry a_{LL} (circled in red)
 event weight $\frac{S}{S+B}$ (circled in red)
 signal strength of Open-Charm events



equal acceptance for both cells

• **Using**

$$A_1 = \langle a_{LL} \rangle \langle \frac{\Delta G}{G} \rangle \quad \text{with} \quad a_{LL} = \frac{\Delta \sigma^{PGF}}{\sigma^{PGF}}$$

asymmetries are less sensitive to experimental changes than cross section differences

• **Events with small $(P_\mu \cdot P_T \cdot f \cdot a_{LL} (S/S+B))$ factors contain less information about the asymmetry:**

• **Weighting the events with the option chosen minimizes the statistical error**

$$\frac{\Delta G}{G} = \frac{1}{2P_T} \times \left(\frac{\omega_u - \omega_d}{\omega_u^2 + \omega_d^2} + \frac{\omega_{u'} - \omega_{d'}}{\omega_{u'}^2 + \omega_{d'}^2} \right) \quad \text{with a statistical gain: } \frac{\langle \omega^2 \rangle}{\langle \omega \rangle^2}$$

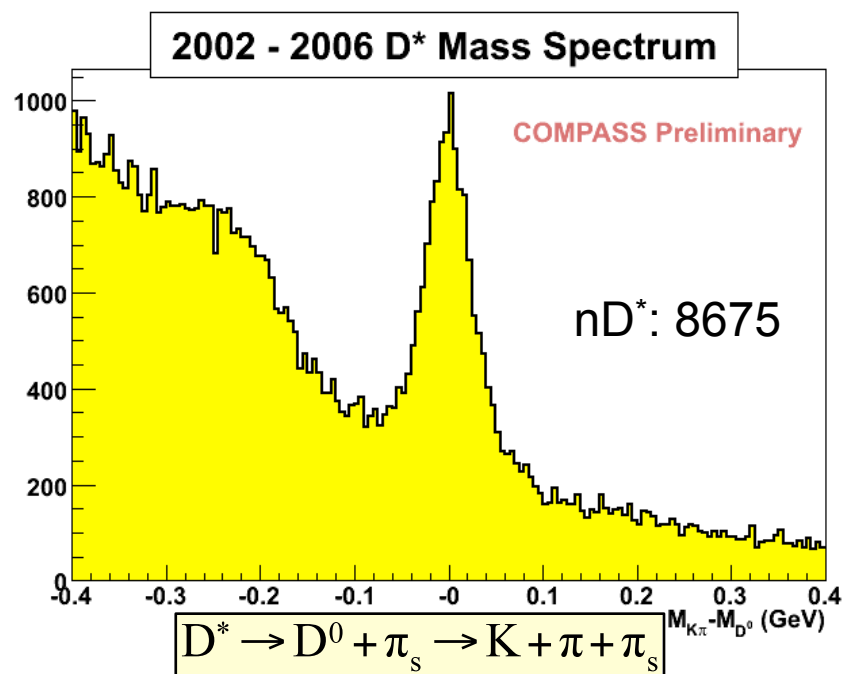
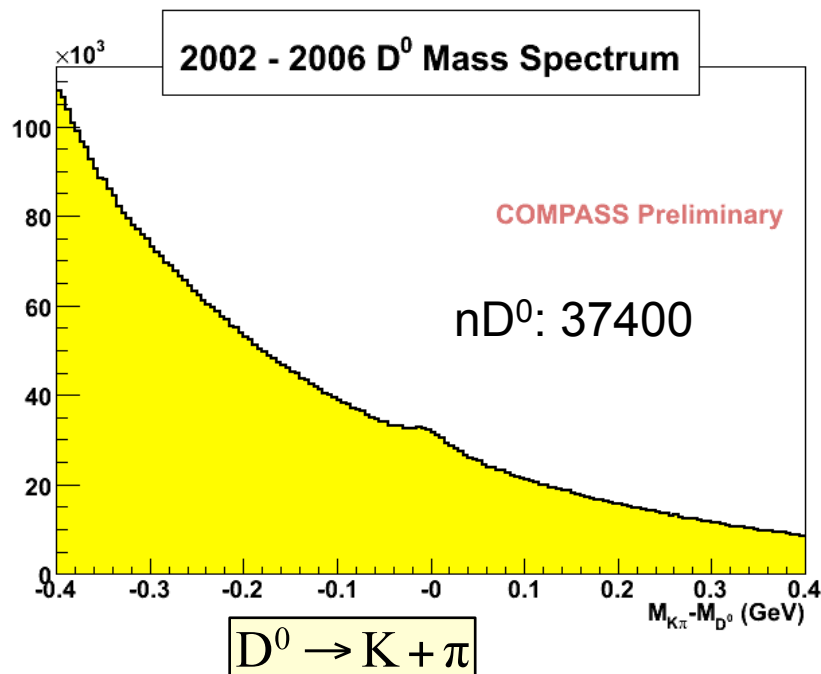
D^0 and D^* meson reconstruction (2002-2006)

- **Events considered** (*resulting from c quarks fragmentation*):
 - $D^0 \rightarrow K\pi$ (BR: 4%)
 - $D^* \rightarrow D^0\pi_s \rightarrow K\pi\pi_s$ (30% D^0 tagged with D^*)
- **Selection to reduce the combinatorial background:**
 - Kinematical cuts: Z_D , D^0 decay angle, K and π momentum
 - RICH identification: K and π ID + electrons rejected from the π_s sample

D⁰ and D^{*} meson reconstruction (2002-2006)

Thick target - no D⁰ vertex reconstruction

D⁰ reconstruction: K π invariant mass + cuts on D⁰ decay angle + z_D + RICH particle identification (different likelihoods)

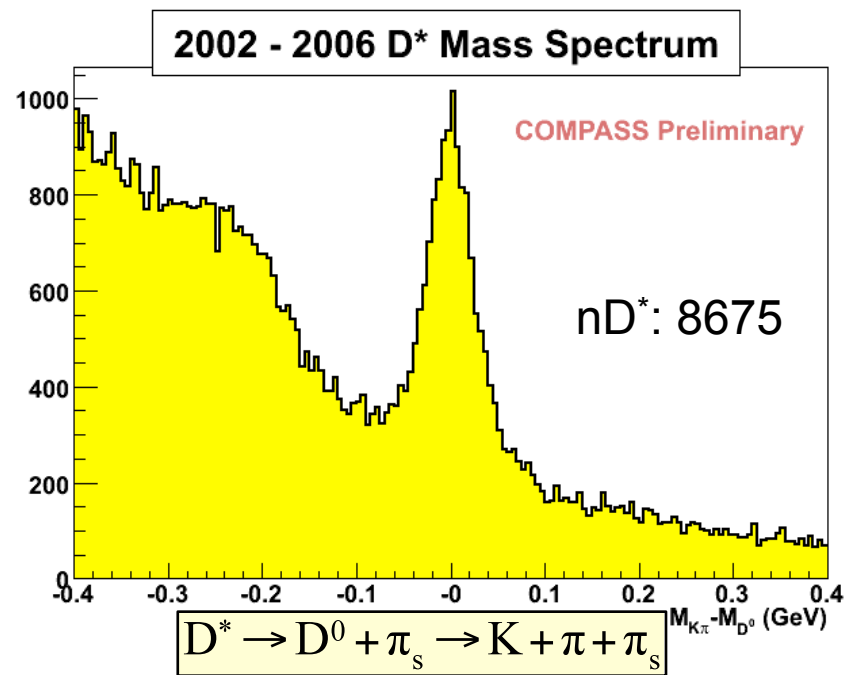
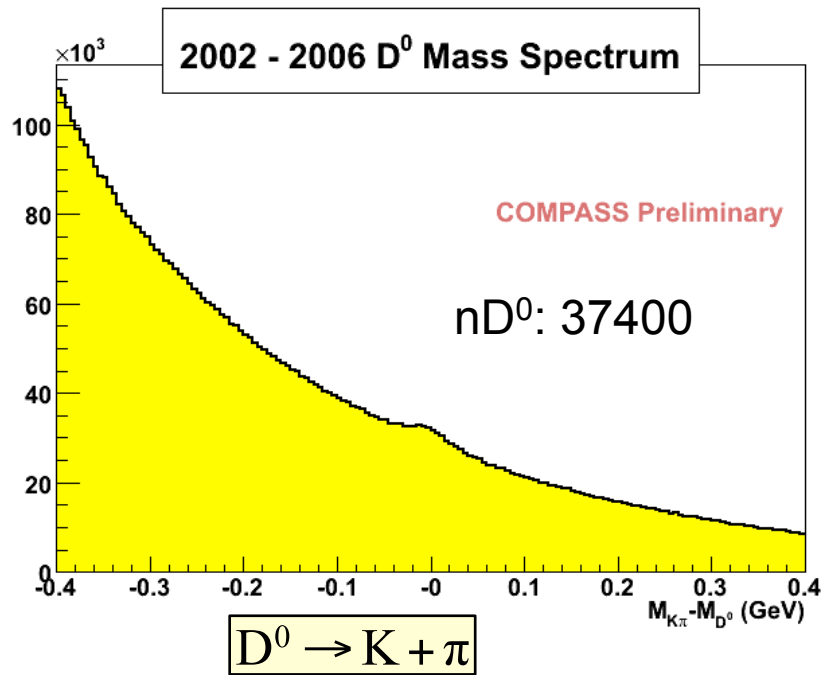


$$\delta\left(\frac{\Delta G}{G}\right) \propto 1 / \sqrt{\frac{S}{S+B}} \times S$$

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Due to weighted method spectra are not optimized!

Open-charm signal - per year

K π invariant mass

weighted spectra

2002

2003

2004

2006

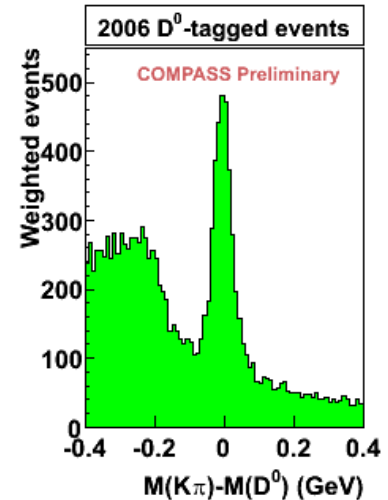
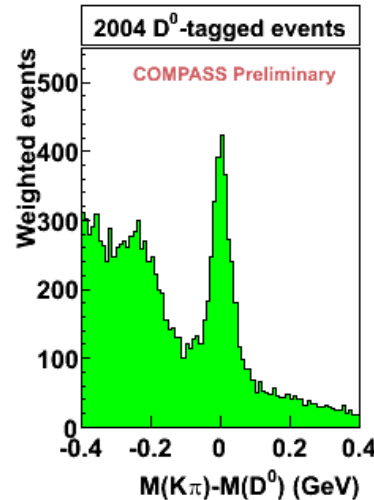
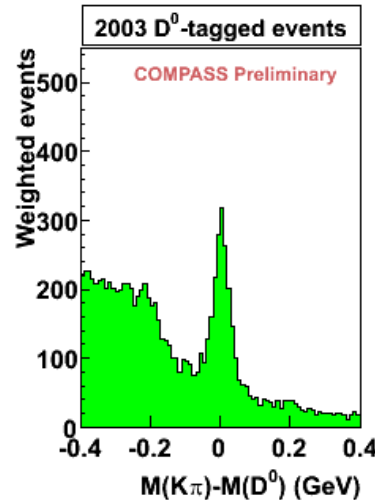
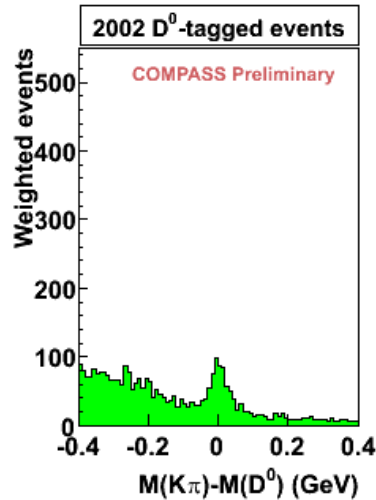
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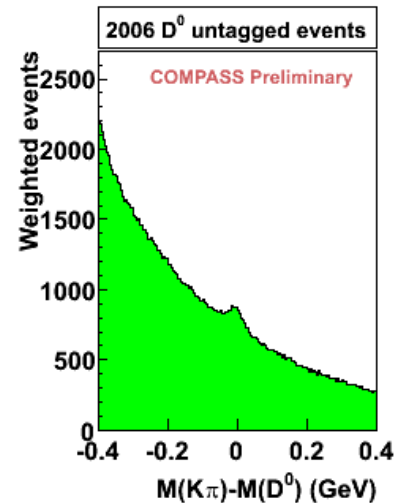
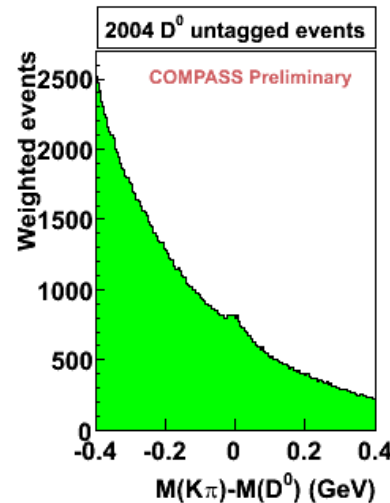
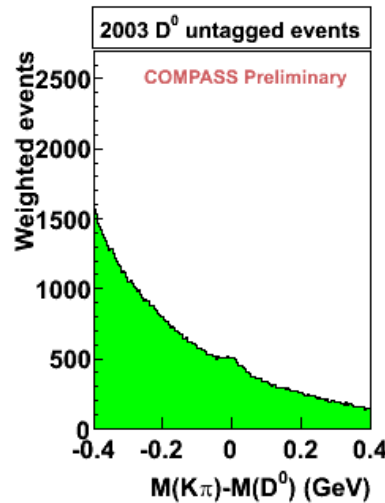
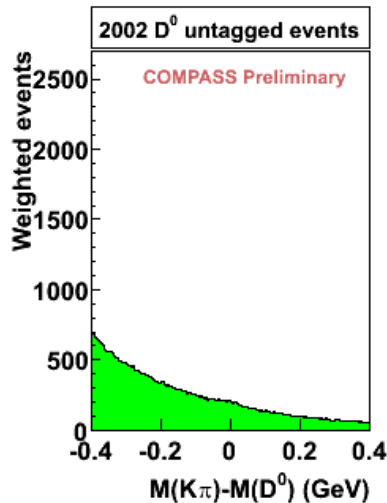
0.92 fb⁻¹

0.85 fb⁻¹

D^{*}



D⁰



γ^*N asymmetries

$$A_{\text{exp}} = P_B P_T f \left[R_{PGF} D A^{\gamma^* N \rightarrow D X} + (1 - R_{PGF}) A_{bkg} \right]$$

$$\frac{1}{P_T} \frac{\sum w^{\leftrightarrow} - \sum w^{\leftrightarrow}}{\sum w^{\leftrightarrow} + \sum w^{\leftrightarrow}} = A^{\gamma^* N} \quad w = f P_B \frac{S}{S+B} D$$

Weighting brings significant improvement due to large variations of D and $R_{PGF}=S/(S+B)$ in phase-space

Asymmetries $A^{\gamma^* N \rightarrow DX}$ calculated in (p_T, E_D) bins

Bins chosen such that dispersion in a_{LL}/D is small; dependence on kinematic factors y, D, \dots is also weak.

Extraction of ΔG at LO

- Model independent asymmetries were extracted from data only

$$A_{\text{exp}} = P_B P_T f \left[R_{PGF} DA^{\gamma N \rightarrow DX} + (1 - R_{PGF}) A_{bkg} \right]$$

- $\frac{\Delta g}{g}$ can be extracted using a_{LL}^{PGF} calculated at LO :

$$A_{\text{exp}} = P_B P_T f \left[R_{PGF} a_{LL}^{PGF} \frac{\Delta g}{g} + (1 - R_{PGF}) A_{bkg} \right]$$

- Similar analysis, but with weight $w = f P_B \frac{S}{S+B} a_{LL}$
instead of $w = f P_B \frac{S}{S+B} D$

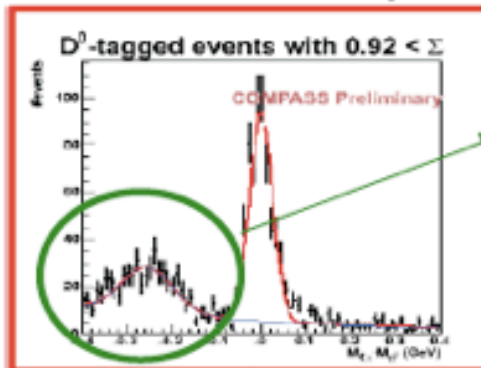
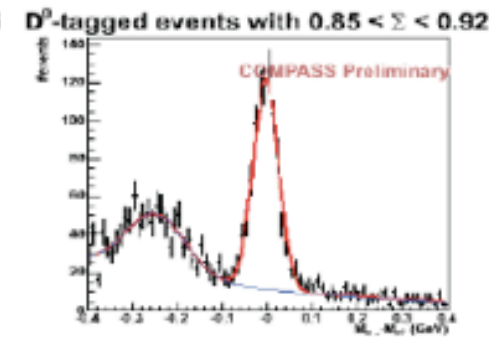
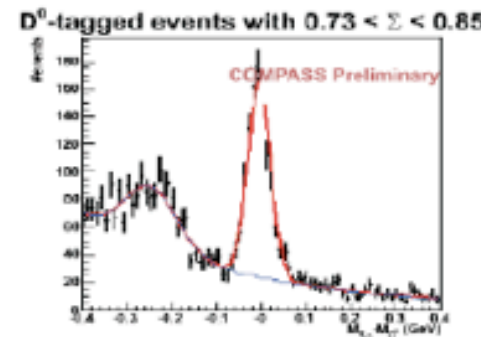
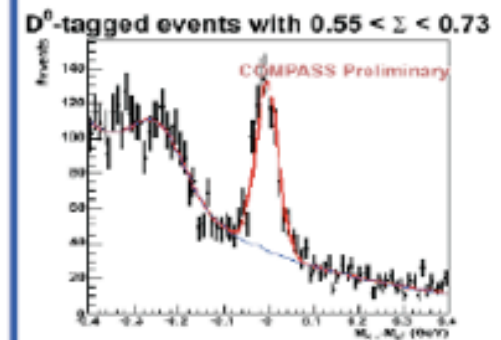
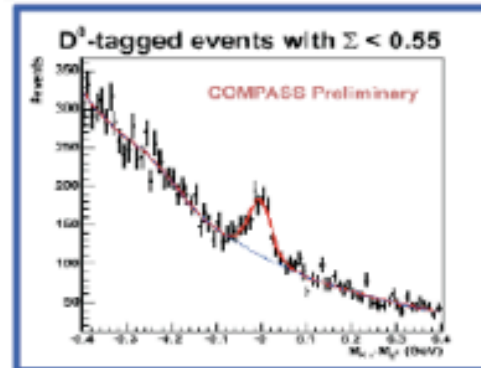
$\Sigma=S/(S+B)$ weighting

- $\Sigma=S/(S+B)$ probability for an event to be PGF. Parameterized as function of kinematics & RICH response. Given event by event
- Event weight with 10 variables built on **data** only
- Gain from weighting + possibility to loosen cuts:
+45% for D^0 and 15% for D^*

Σ ($=S/S+B$) as an Open-Charm event probability

Why is better to have $(S/S+B)$ for every event?

- Events with small $\Sigma \Rightarrow$ low weight
 - Mostly combinatorial background selected
- With Σ in the weight, the kinematical cuts can be loose:
 - More background events
 - Preserve signal events
- Events with large $\Sigma \Rightarrow$ high weight
 - Mostly Open-Charm events selected

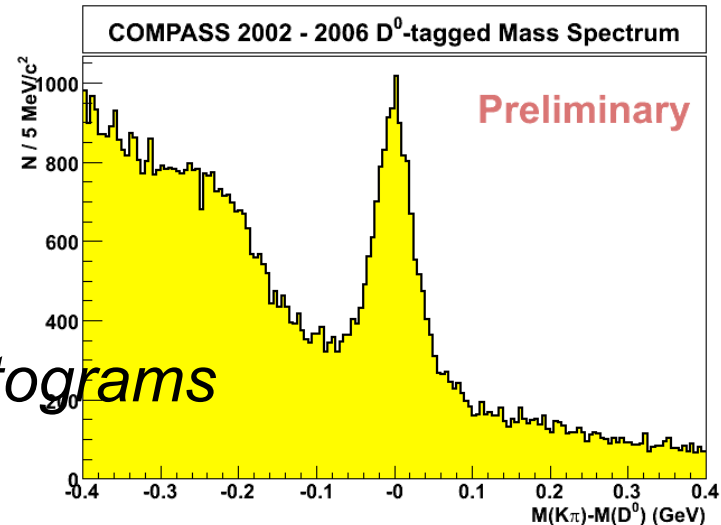
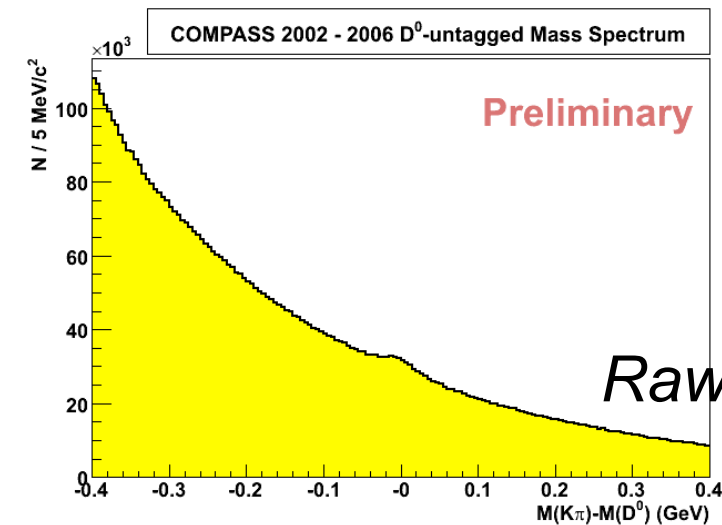


Possibility to include a new Open-Charm channel in the analysis for statistical error improvement

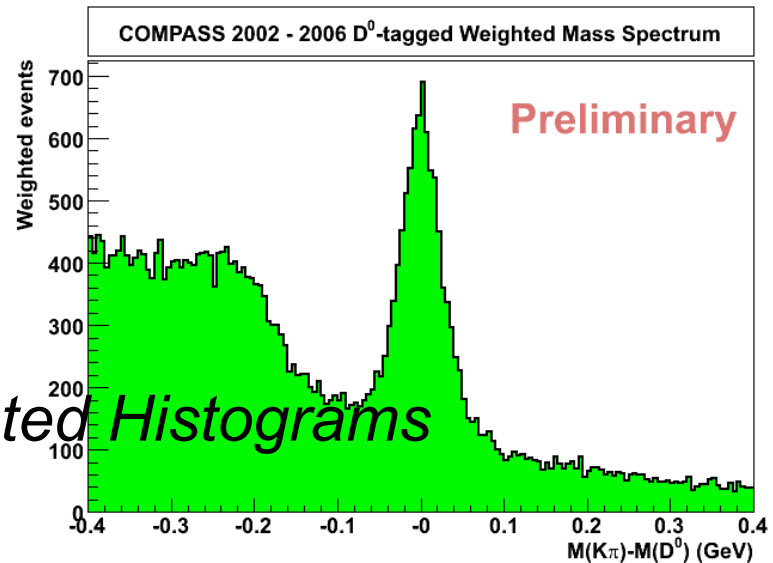
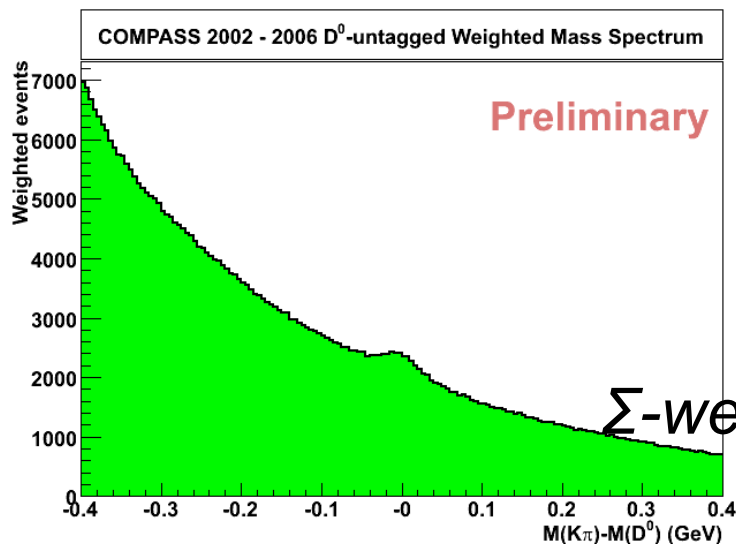
How to parameterize Σ ?

- A function to build $\Sigma_p = S/B$ is defined, and parameterized for every event:
 - Σ_p is built (*iteratively*) over some kinematic variables and RICH response:
 - $(\Sigma_p)_{\text{initial}} = 1$
 - Mass spectra is divided in bins of each variable (*binning needed for statistical gain*)
 - Fit all D^0 and D^* mass spectra inside each bin of each variable
 - Σ_p is adjusted (*for every event inside each bin*) to $(S/B)_{\text{fit}}$
 - After convergence, parameterization is checked:
 - No artificial peak produced in wrong charge mass spectra
 - Mass dependence \Rightarrow Included in Σ after convergence of Σ_p
- $(\Sigma = \Sigma_p / \Sigma_p + 1)$ in the weight \longrightarrow probability for a given event to be background or Open-Charm

Invariant mass of $K\pi$ pairs - $S/(S+B)$ weighting



Raw Histograms



Σ -weighted Histograms

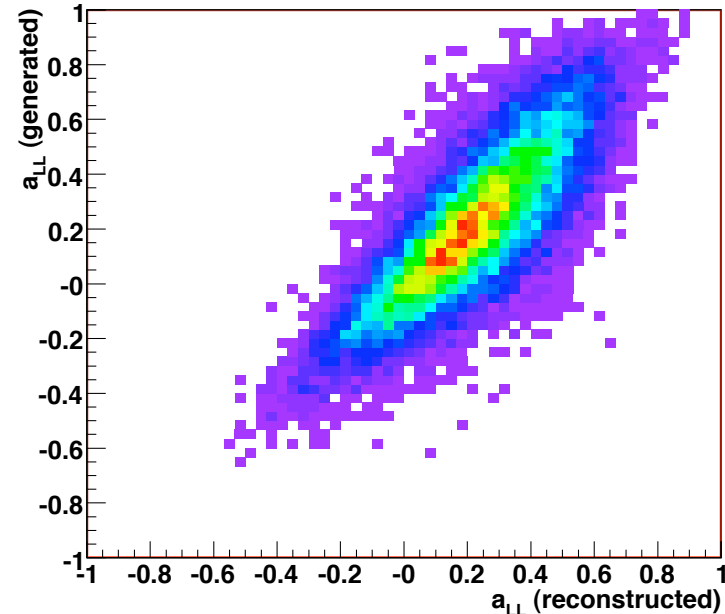
Partonic (*muon-gluon*) asymmetry a_{LL}

- a_{LL} is dependent on full knowledge of partonic kinematics:

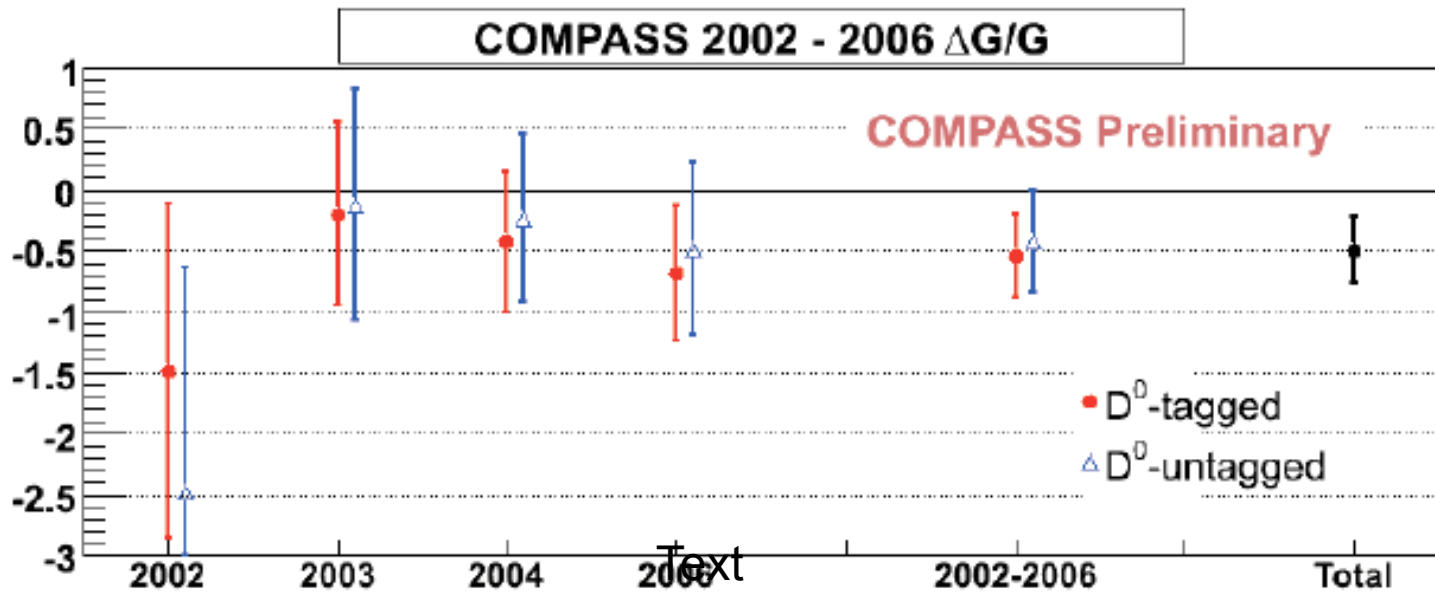
$$a_{LL} = \frac{\Delta \sigma^{\text{PGF}}}{\sigma_{\text{PGF}}} (y, Q^2, x_g, z_c, \phi)$$

- Can't be experimentally obtained! \Rightarrow only one charmed meson is reconstructed
- a_{LL} is obtained from Monte-Carlo (*in LO*), to serve as input for a Neural Network parameterization on reconstructed kinematical variables: y , x_{Bj} , Q^2 , z_D and $p_{T,D}$

- 82% correlation NN/MC
- very large dispersion of values, even change of sign: weighting essential



Open charm : $D^0 + D^*$ Result



$$\Delta G/G = -0.49 \pm 0.27 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.11 \text{ (syst)}$$

Systematics :

Source	D^0	D^*
Beam polar	0.025	0.025
Target polar	0.025	0.025
Dil. Fact.	0.025	0.025
False asymmetry	0.05	0.05
Signal extraction (Σ)	0.07	0.01
a_1 (charm mass)	0.05	0.03
TOTAL	0.11	0.07

$$\langle x_g \rangle = 0.11^{+0.11}_{-0.05}$$

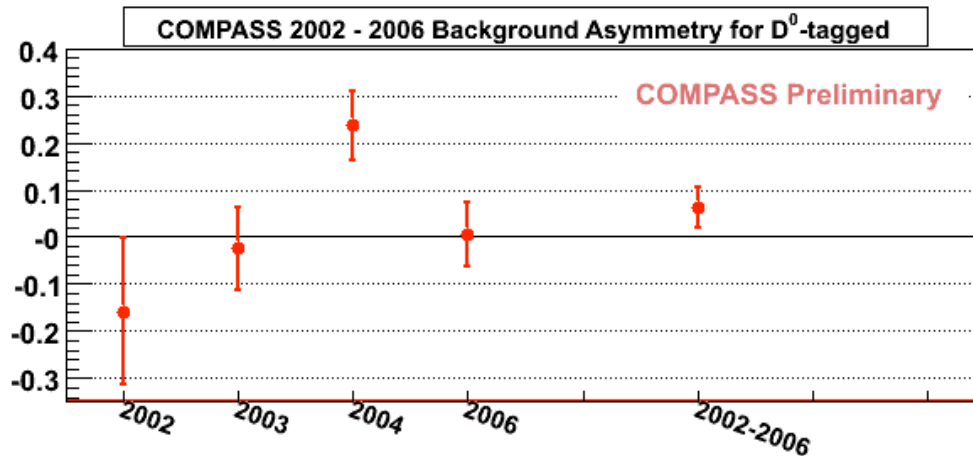
$$\langle \mu^2 \rangle = 13 \text{ GeV}^2$$

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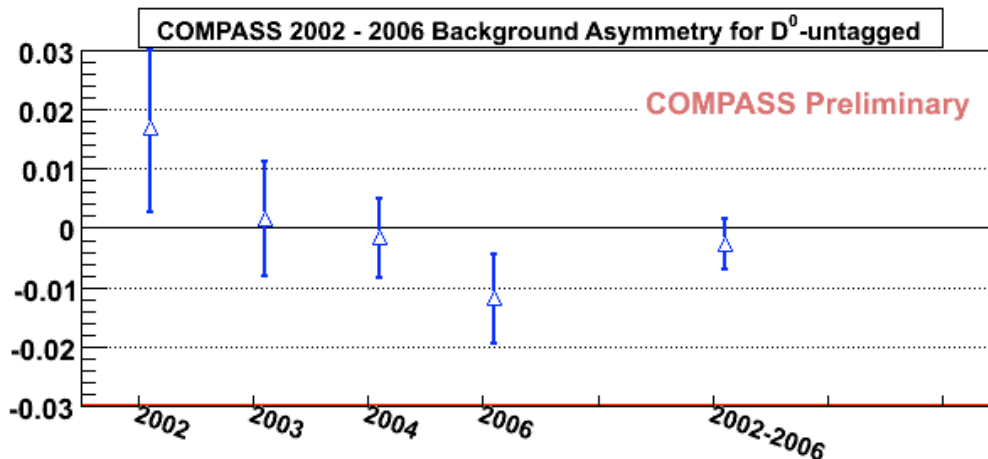
Background asymmetry

Background and signal asymmetries extracted simultaneously



D^*

$$A_{\text{bkg}} = 0.062 \pm 0.042$$



D^0

$$A_{\text{bkg}} = 0.0026 \pm 0.0043$$

Asymmetries in bins in p_T and E of D^0

Table 2

The asymmetries $A^{\gamma N \rightarrow D^0 X}$ in bins of $p_T^{D^0}$ and E_{D^0} for the D^0 and D^* sample combined, together with the averages of several kinematic variables. Only the statistical errors are given. The relative systematic uncertainty is 20% which is 100% correlated between the bins.

Bin limits		$A^{\gamma N \rightarrow D^0 X}$	$\langle y \rangle$	$\langle Q^2 \rangle \text{ (GeV/c)}^2$	$\langle p_T^D \rangle \text{ (GeV/c)}$	$\langle E_D \rangle \text{ (GeV)}$	$D(\langle X \rangle)$	$c_{LL}(\langle X \rangle)$
$p_T^D \text{ (GeV/c)}$	$E_D \text{ (GeV)}$							
0–0.3	0–30	-1.34 ± 0.85	0.47	0.50	0.19	24.8	0.57	0.37
0–0.3	30–50	-0.27 ± 0.52	0.58	0.75	0.20	39.2	0.70	0.48
0–0.3	> 50	-0.07 ± 0.66	0.67	1.06	0.20	60.0	0.80	0.61
0.3–0.7	0–30	-0.85 ± 0.51	0.47	0.47	0.50	25.1	0.56	0.26
0.3–0.7	30–50	0.09 ± 0.29	0.58	0.65	0.51	39.4	0.71	0.34
0.3–0.7	> 50	-0.20 ± 0.37	0.67	0.68	0.50	59.6	0.80	0.46
0.7–1	0–30	-0.47 ± 0.56	0.48	0.53	0.85	25.2	0.58	0.13
0.7–1	30–50	-0.49 ± 0.32	0.58	0.66	0.85	39.1	0.70	0.17
0.7–1	> 50	1.23 ± 0.43	0.68	0.73	0.84	59.4	0.81	0.26
1–1.5	0–30	-0.87 ± 0.48	0.50	0.49	1.21	25.7	0.60	0.01
1–1.5	30–50	-0.24 ± 0.25	0.60	0.62	1.22	39.5	0.73	0.00
1–1.5	> 50	-0.18 ± 0.34	0.69	0.77	1.22	59.3	0.83	0.04
> 1.5	0–30	0.83 ± 0.71	0.52	0.51	1.77	26.2	0.63	–0.13
> 1.5	30–50	0.18 ± 0.28	0.61	0.68	1.87	40.0	0.74	–0.20
> 1.5	> 50	0.44 ± 0.33	0.71	0.86	1.94	59.9	0.84	–0.24

weighted!

$$w = f P_B \frac{S}{S + B} D$$

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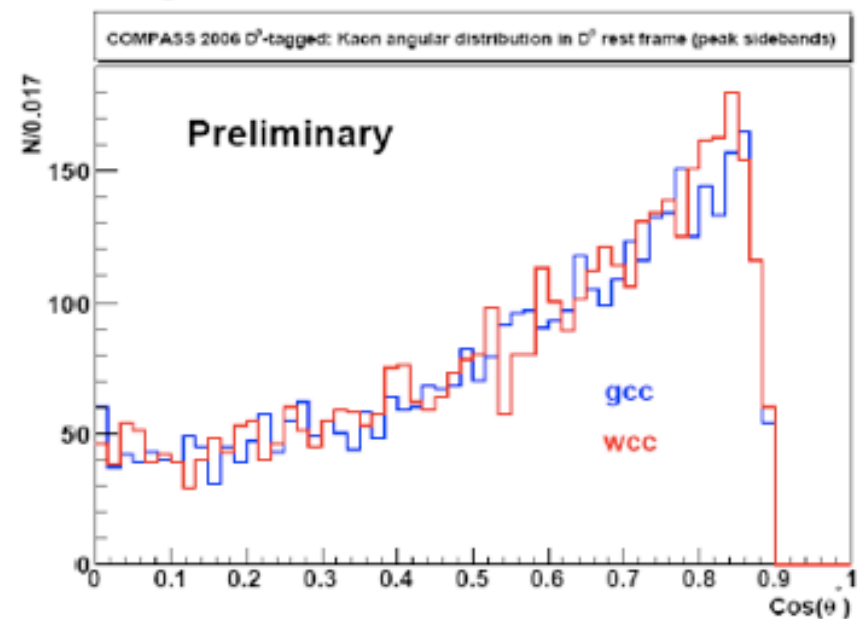
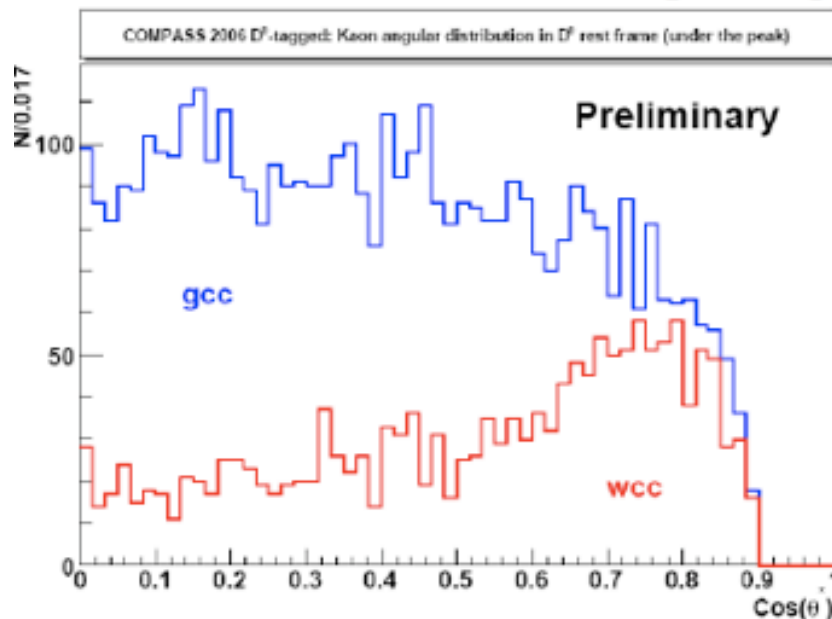
More contributions from the D^* channel

- Because the channel is very clean from background contamination (due to a 3-body mass cut), the following contributions can be added:
 - π^0 reflection “bump”: $D^0 \rightarrow K\pi\pi^0 \Rightarrow$ Mass window increased to ± 600 MeV/c² to obtain a better fit on the bump!
 - RICH sub-threshold Kaons events: Include candidates with no positive pion or electron ID
- Signal strength parameterization ($\Sigma = S/(S+B)$):
 - **Problem:**
 - Low purity samples with low statistics \Rightarrow Very difficult to build Σ in several bins of several variables
 - **Solution:**
 - Multi-dimentional parameterization using a Neural Network (all kinematic and RICH dependences taken into account at same time)

Neural Network qualification of events

- Two real data samples (*with same cuts*) are compared by the Neural Network (*giving as input some kinematic variables as a learning vector*):
 - Signal model** \rightarrow gcc = $K^+ \pi^- \pi_s^- + K^- \pi^+ \pi_s^+$ (D^* spectrum: signal + bg.)
 - Background model** \rightarrow wcc = $K^+ \pi^+ \pi_s^- + K^- \pi^- \pi_s^+$
- If the background model is good enough: Net is able to distinguish the signal from the combinatorial background on a event by event basis!

Example of a good learning variable

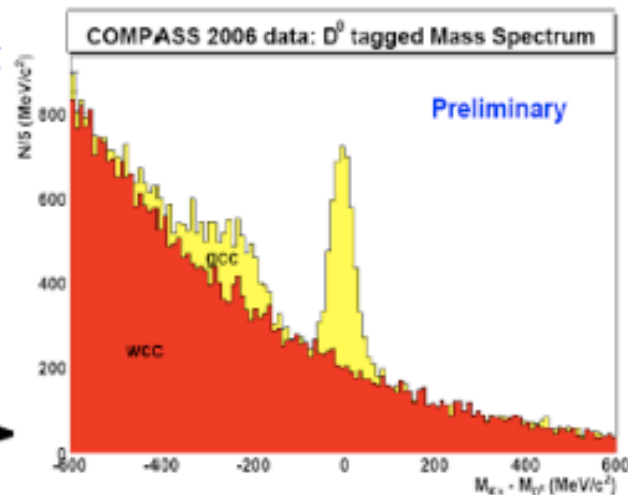


π^0 reflection “bump”: Probability behaviour

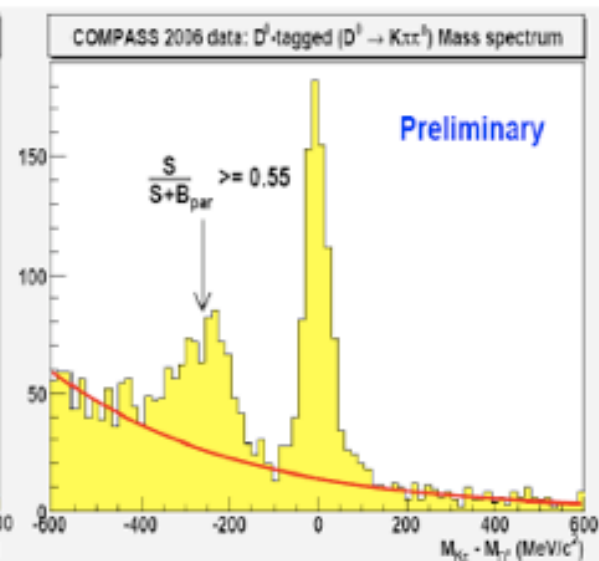
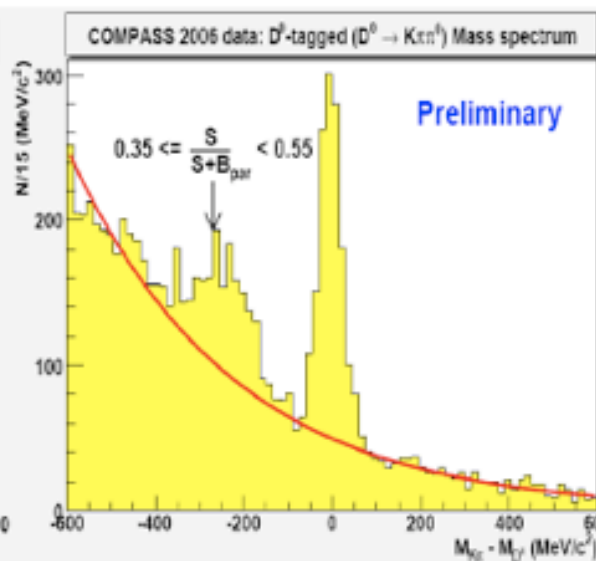
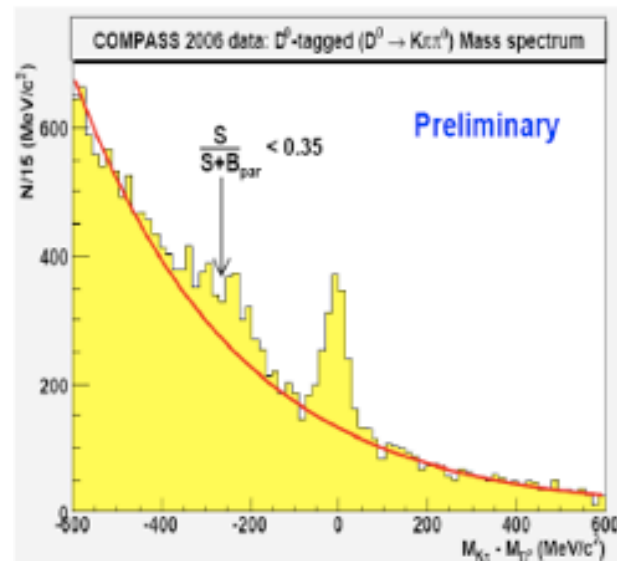
- Σ is built in the same way as for main channels, **BUT**:

- Only 1 variable is used: Neural Network output

- Sorts the events according to similar kinematic dependences (*thus improving our statistical precision*)
- Results from 2 real data samples comparison, in a mass window around the meson mass

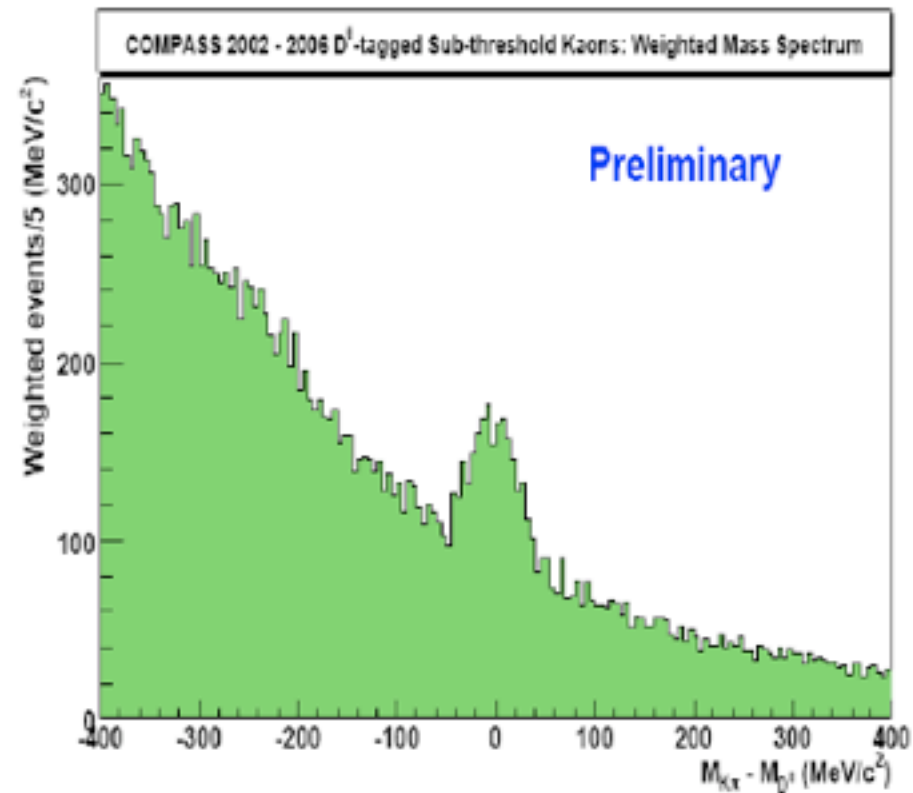
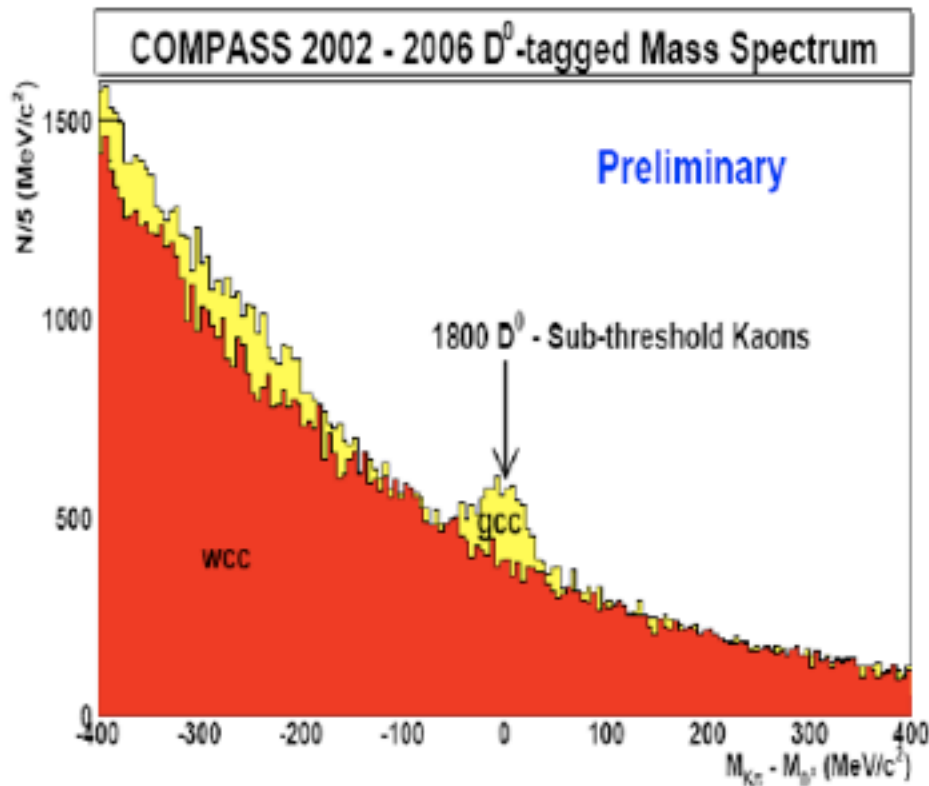


π^0 reflection in bins of Σ



Sub-threshold Kaons: S/B improvement

- Σ is built in the same way as for π^0 reflection “bump”!
 - In plots below, the gain introduced by this parameterization can clearly be seen



Preliminary results including all channels

- For all π^0 decays from a D^0 (“bump”), a specific parameterization for the partonic asymmetry (a_{LL}) was used



- New channels contributions to $\Delta G/G$:

$$\Delta G/G: -0.15 \pm 0.63$$

$$\text{Bg. Asymmetry: } 0.02 \pm 0.03$$

→ 2002–2006 data: π^0 reflection “bump”

$$\Delta G/G: 0.57 \pm 1.02$$

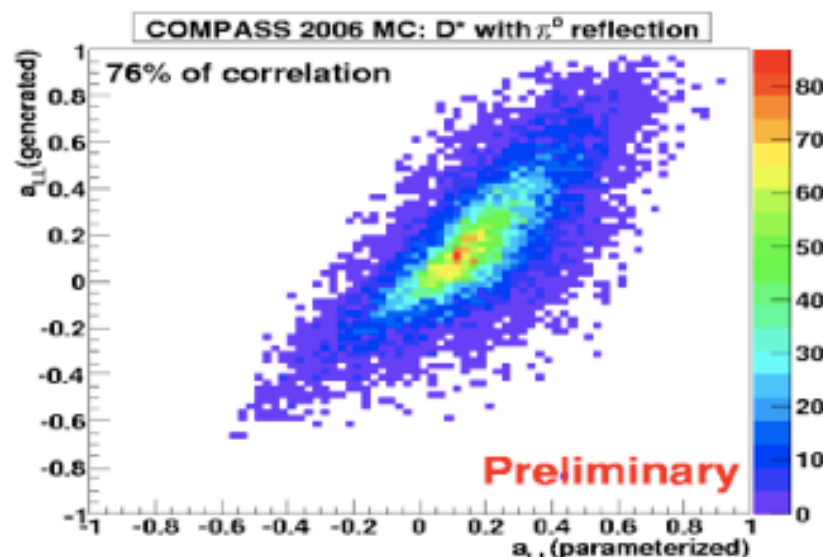
$$\text{Bg. Asymmetry: } -0.04 \pm 0.05$$

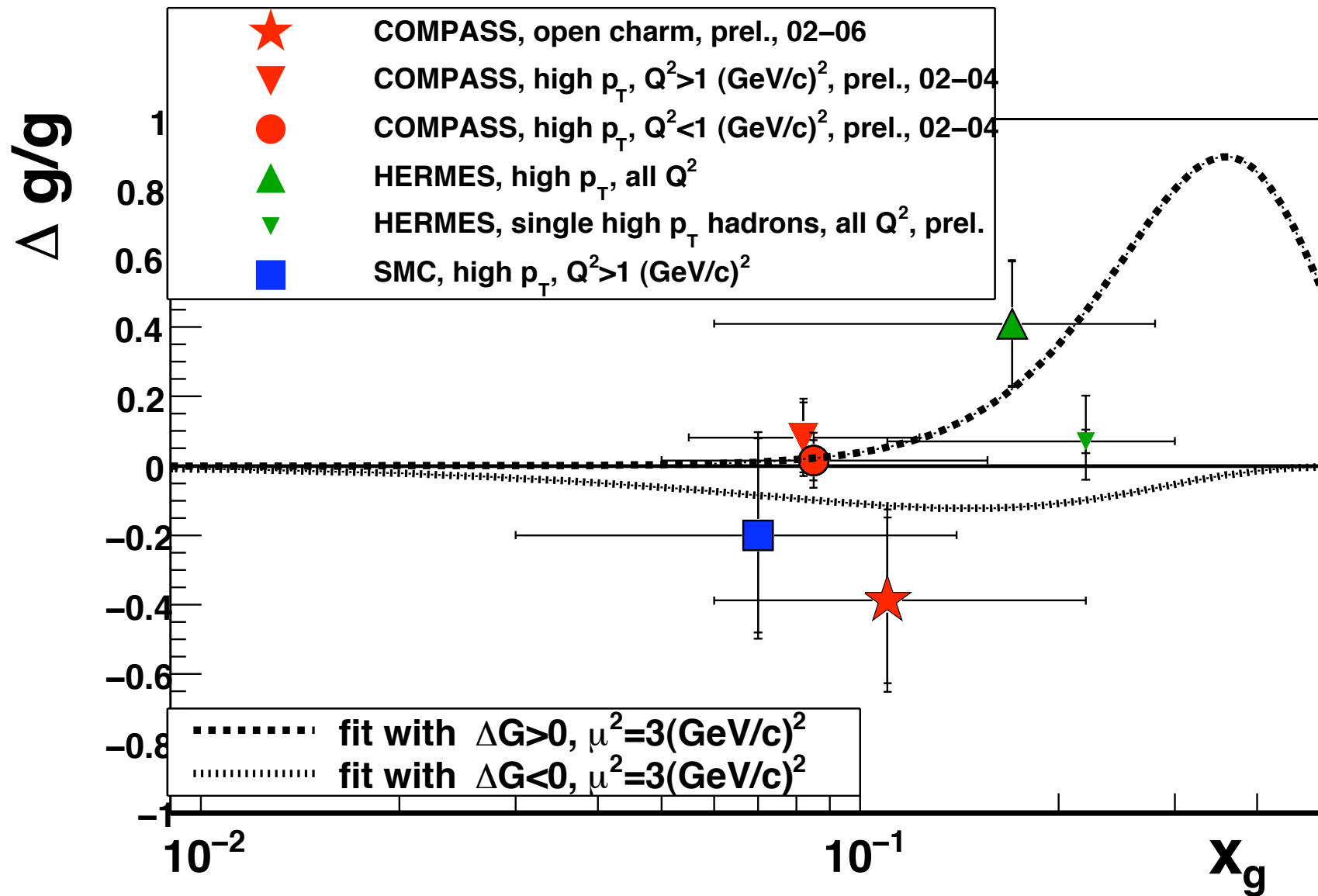
→ 2002–2006 data: **Sub-threshold Kaons**

- Final result** (*no systematic contribution is available yet for the new channels*):

$$\frac{\Delta G}{G} = -0.39 \pm 0.24 \text{ (stat)} \quad @ \langle x_g \rangle = 0.11, \langle \mu^2 \rangle = 13 \text{ GeV}^2$$

10 % improvement in our statistical significance





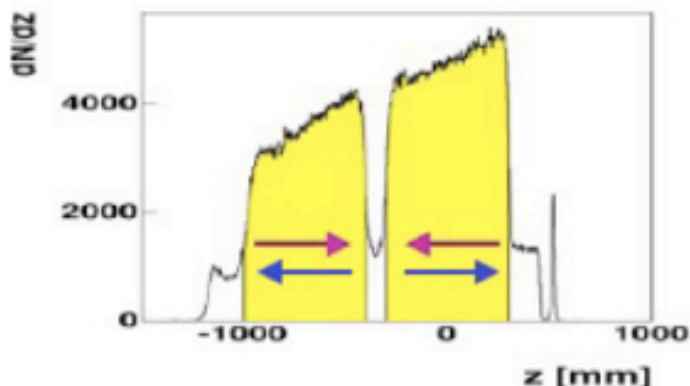
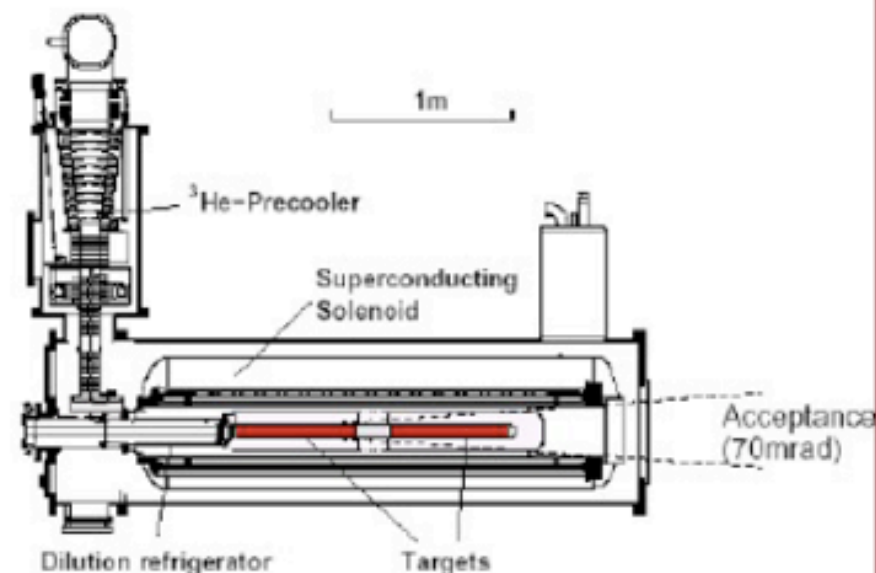
Summary

- Small value of $\Delta G/G$ is preferred - $\Delta G/G$ compatible with 0 within 2σ
- Under study:
 - pure NN approach (fit independent)
 - 2008 data (proton)
 - others channels (4 particles from decay)
 - NLO analysis

Spares

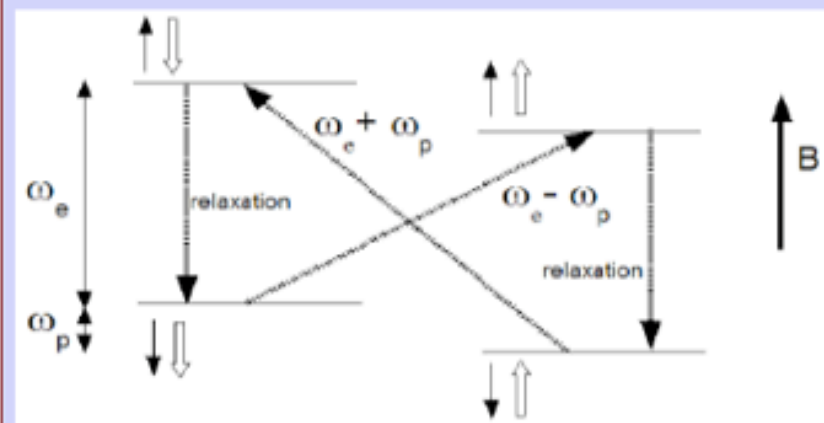
Polarised target

- Target material: ${}^6\text{LiD}$
- Solenoid field: 2.5 T
- Dilution factor: $f \sim 0.4$
- Polarisation: $P_T > 50\%$
- ${}^3\text{He}/{}^4\text{He}$: $T_{\min} \sim 50 \text{ mK}$



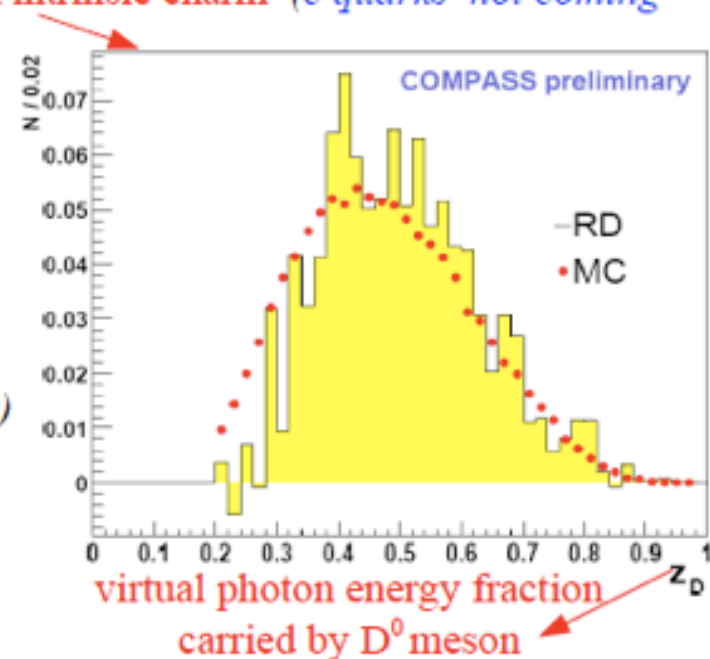
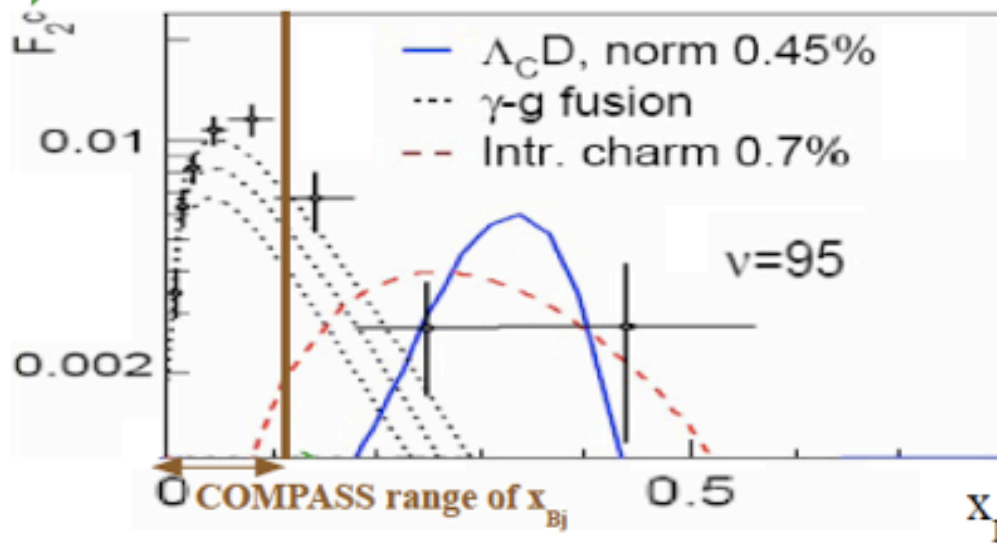
Dynamic nuclear polarisation:

- High electron polarisation
(high magnetic moment)
- Microwave irradiation of material, for simultaneous flip of electron and nucleon spin
- After spin flip, electron relaxates to lower energy state
- Nucleon has long relaxation time
(low magnetic moment)



Why measure gluon spin from Open-Charm?

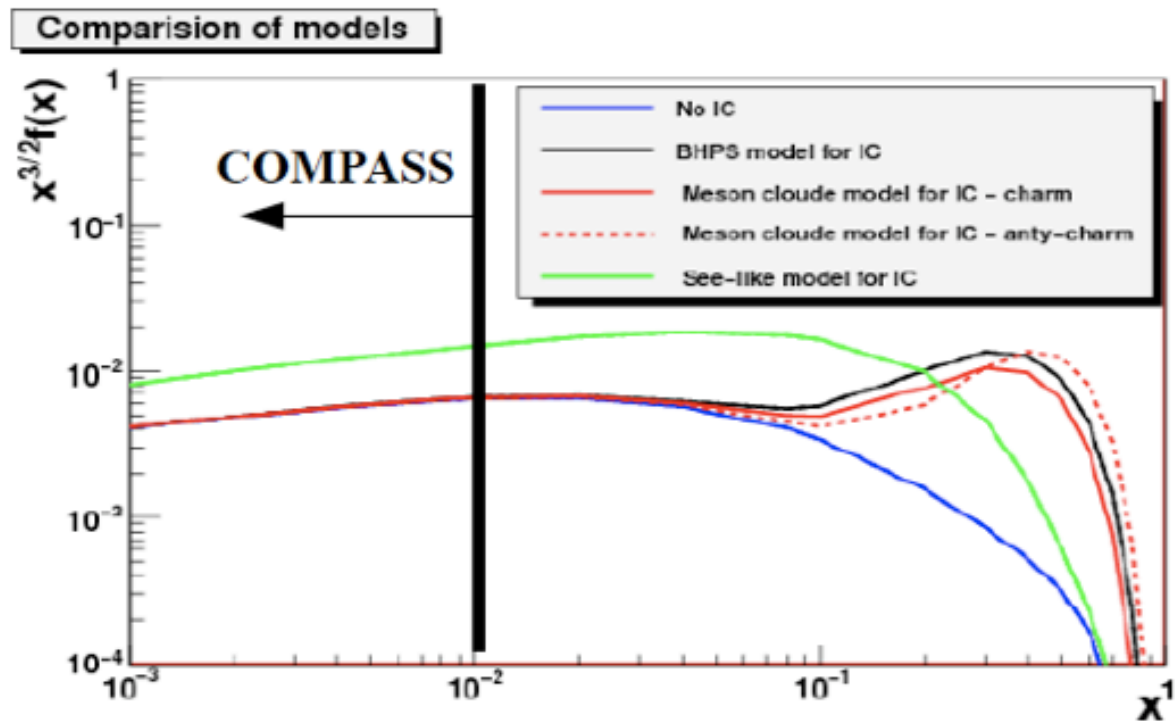
- $c\bar{c}$ production is dominated by the PGF process, and free from physical background (ideal for probing gluon polarisation)
 - In our center of mass energy, the contribution from intrinsic charm (c quarks not coming from hard gluons) in the nucleon is negligible
 - Perturbative scale set by charm mass $4m_c^2$
 - Nonperturbative sea models predict at most 0.7% for intrinsic charm contribution
 - Expected at high x_{Bj} (compass $x_{Bj} < 0.1$)
 - $c\bar{c}$ suppressed during fragmentation (at our energies)



Ref. Hep-ph/0508126 and hep-ph/9508403
 Phys. Lett. B93 (1980) 451
 Data from EMC: Nucl. Phys. B213, 31 (1983)

Intrinsic charm predictions: CTEQ6.5c

- In the COMPASS kinematic domain:
 - No intrinsic charm contamination is predicted by the theory driven results
 - Only the more phenomenological “See-like” scenario should be taken into account (*under study*)

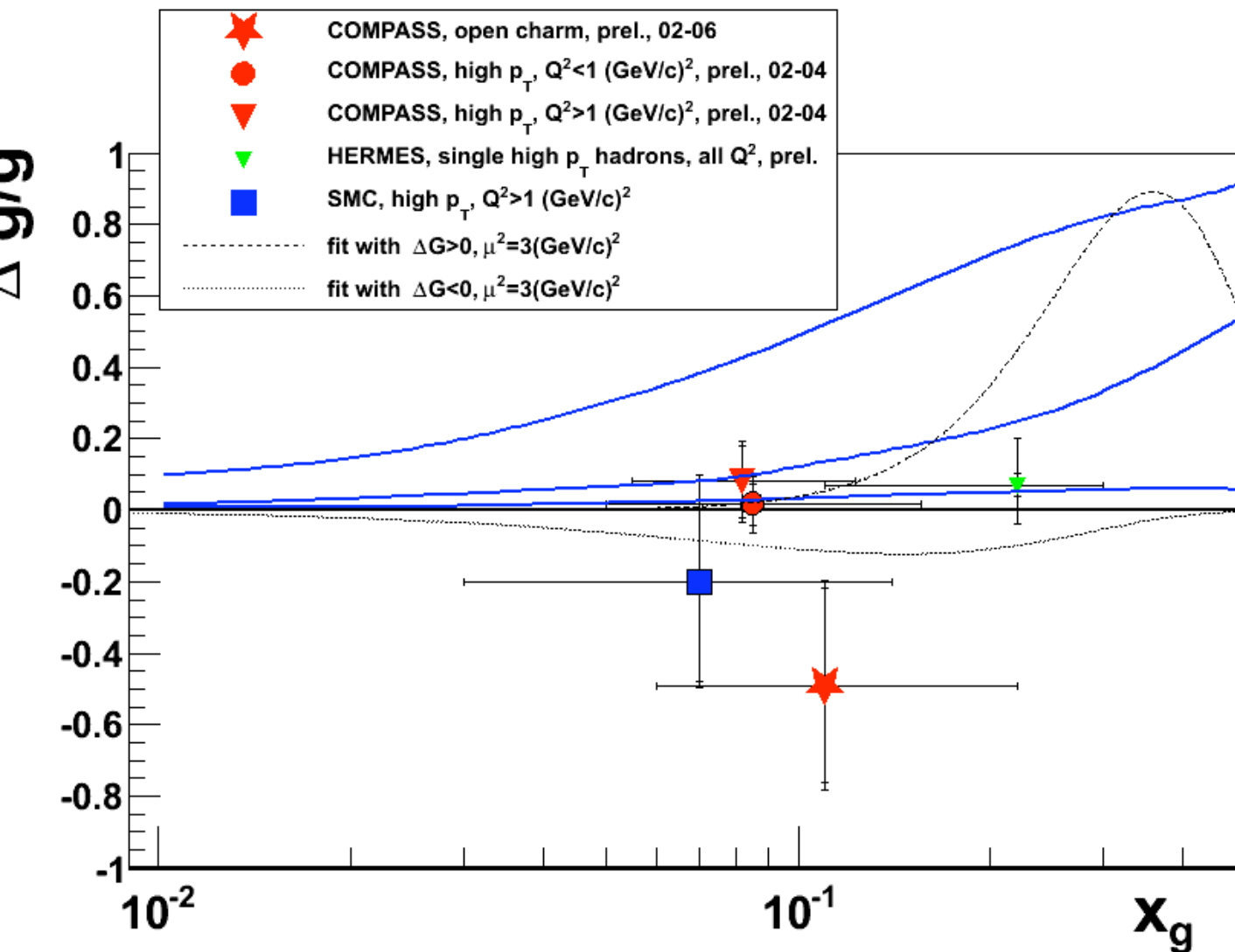


GRSV, ΔG

max, 2.5

std, 0.6

min, 0.2



Method for $\Delta G/G$ and polarised A_B extraction

- The number of events comes from asymmetries in the following way:

$$N_{u,d} = a \phi n (S+B) \left(1 + P_T P_\mu f \left(a_{LL} \frac{S}{S+B} \frac{\Delta G}{G} + a_{LL}^B \frac{B}{S+B} A_B \right) \right)$$

a = acceptance, ϕ = muon flux, n = number of target nucleons

- We have 4 cell configurations (2 cells oppositely polarised + field reversal for acceptance normalization):
 - Weight the 4 $N_{u,d}$ equations by ω_s and by $\omega_B = P_\mu f \cdot D(y) (B/S+B)$

$$\langle \sum_{k=1}^{N_{\text{cell}}} \omega_i^k \rangle = \hat{a}_{\text{cell},i} \left(1 + (\langle \beta_{\text{cell},S} \rangle \omega_i) A_S + (\langle \beta_{\text{cell},B} \rangle \omega_i) A_B \right) = f_{\text{cell},i}$$

(cell = u, d, u', d')

($\Delta G/G$)

(i = S, B)

$$\hat{a} = a \phi n \sigma = a \phi n (\sigma_{\text{PGF}} + \sigma_B) = a \phi n (S+B)$$

$$\beta_S = P_B P_T f a_{LL} \frac{S}{S+B} \quad \beta_B = P_B P_T f D \frac{B}{S+B}$$

8 eq. with 10 unknowns

How to solve equations for simultaneous $\Delta G/G$ and A_B extraction?

- Possible acceptance changes with time are the same for both cells (*also the muon flux is the same for both cells*):

$$10 \Rightarrow \underline{8 \text{ unknowns}}: 6 \hat{a}, A_S \text{ and } A_B \longrightarrow \frac{\hat{a}_{u,S} \hat{a}_{d',S}}{\hat{a}_{u',S} \hat{a}_{d,S}} = 1, \quad \frac{\hat{a}_{u,B} \hat{a}_{d',B}}{\hat{a}_{u',B} \hat{a}_{d,B}} = 1$$

- Signal and background events are affected in same way before and after a field reversal:

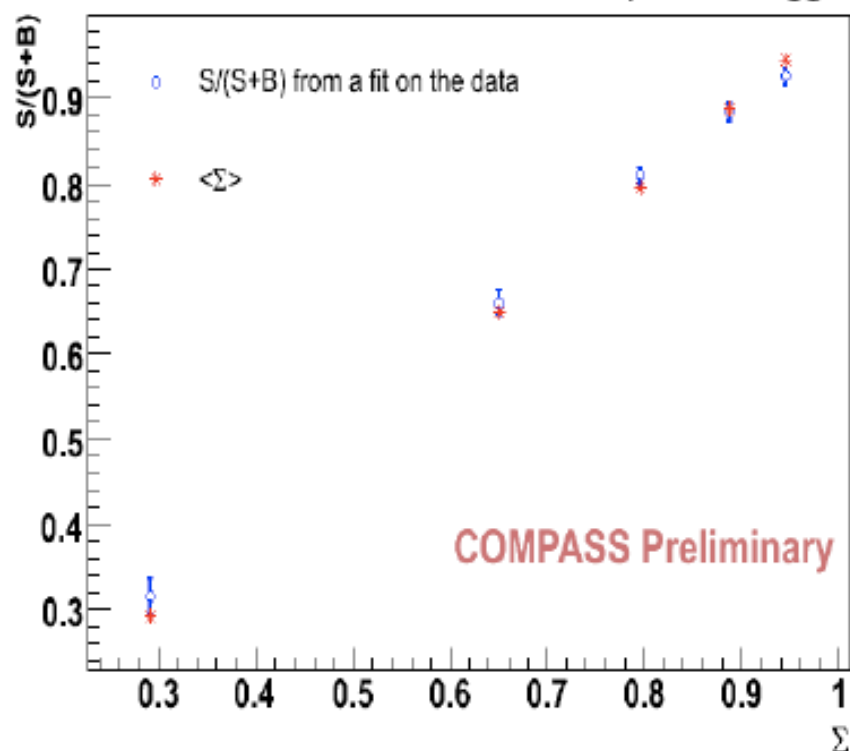
$$8 \Rightarrow \underline{7 \text{ unknowns}}: 5 \hat{a}, A_S \text{ and } A_B \longrightarrow \frac{\hat{a}_{u,S}}{\hat{a}_{u,B}} = \frac{\hat{a}_{u',S}}{\hat{a}_{u',B}}, \quad \frac{\hat{a}_{d,S}}{\hat{a}_{d,B}} = \frac{\hat{a}_{d',S}}{\hat{a}_{d',B}}$$

- Unknowns are obtained by a χ^2 minimization:

$$\chi^2 = (\vec{N} - \vec{f})^T \text{Cov}^{-1} (\vec{N} - \vec{f})$$

Validation of parameterization (2006 example)

Data vs. Σ -Parameterization in Σ bins (2006 D^0 -tagged)



Data vs. Σ -Parameterization in weight bins (2006 D^0 -tagged)

